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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

**I. INTRODUCTION**

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 11, 2007 (Paper No./Mail Date 20070530) in regard to the above-identified patent application and is being filed concurrently with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE"). Reconsideration of the rejection of the claims is respectfully solicited in light of the following amendment and remarks.

Please amend the Application as follows: